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## Pastor's Notes



by Pastor Dan Hansen

*"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things." Mark 6:34*



### 1) On our growing needs for Pastoral Care...

We really do want to continue to be a "compassionate" congregation and so again, a big thank you to all our Stephen Ministers, and all our prayer chain members, and to our "Faith's Angels," who provide meals to families experiencing a crisis. As you can imagine, in a growing church, it's sometimes hard to keep up with all the needs and all the details—especially when the crises seem to come in "waves!" Just a friendly reminder; you'll find in the bulletin each week an invitation to contact us if you'd like the support of a Stephen Minister--and you'll find an invitation to share prayer requests with the prayer chain. Please help us serve you better by letting us know your needs because everyone's needs are different.

### 2) On our "Summer of Gifts" Sunday School...

Wow...this has been special! Nanette's **74 different Sunday school courses** have really showcased how amazingly gifted the family of Faith Community Lutheran is! **Each Sunday morning, during the Sunday school hour (9:45-10:45),** members have been teaching courses related to their areas of interest, skill or occupation. Each course is tied to Scripture with a Bible verse or text. Unique courses are offered for all ages, each week. It's been a lot of fun.....and a real blessing!

**3) On our recent VBS...**

Once again our church enjoyed a remarkable week of love and laughter and learning in Jesus' name. What a joy this year to spread "the action" throughout our new education wing! In case you missed it, our "Trading Places" theme included 30+ volunteers in addition to 60+ kids. Lots of energy and excitement in the air during those three mornings which included pictures of life in Africa and pictures of kids and singing and always.....snacks! Many thanks to Nanette and her amazing crew of hard-working volunteers!

**4) On our Senior Experience Weekend July 30th...**

Please join us as we celebrate the ministry of our 35 work camp youth (and their 8 outstanding (!) adult sponsors) and our 6 National Gathering youth (and 2 adults) through songs and stories and PowerPoint pictures. We've had a long and strong history of serving on summer workcamp mission trips. As I write this, our group is serving at a workcamp in Lead, SD; a community which has suffered some economic downturns. A special thanks to Sililo Woo Ching, who is always the most popular dad in camp (!) for his cheerful, energetic and passionate witness as leader of our group. Once again, we thank God for our church, which has been so very supportive of this wonderful outreach ministry, and we thank God for the privilege of sharing the love of Jesus with those who need help and God's healing. And... our Youth Gathering participants have just returned from San Antonio where they experienced an awesome time with thousands of other ELCA Lutheran youth.

**5) On our NEW Summer SUNDAY Schedule...**

As I mentioned in our May newsletter; "In an effort to "balance" the growing attendance of our 2 Sunday services, we're exploring the possibility of changing our early service to 8:30 at some point, which we believe might be a more attractive time for young families, as per one of our "core values" of being a "kid-friendly" church. So, in June we switched to a slightly later start; **8:15 Worship Outside, 9:45 Sunday school, 11:00 Worship Inside**. Thus far, this change seems to be working very well and most Sundays our attendance has been very even between the two services. Although no decisions have been made yet, please watch for worship times in September. I would suspect that we may keep this new schedule.

**6) On our fall budgeting process...**

It's hard to believe, but at our council meeting this past Tuesday, we already began reminding ourselves that we want to soon begin our budgeting process for the 2007 budget. Our church budget is probably somewhat similar to your family budget—we can't always get everything we want! Nevertheless, we do want to staff for the growth God has blessed us with. Several of you have asked, "When are we going to get another pastor?" Some day, no doubt--indeed, our attendance is about the 5<sup>th</sup> largest in the Rocky Mtn Synod now! But, perhaps first we might want to explore the possibility of a lay minister that might have some theological training, plus some of the managerial business skills that we need. As you can imagine, increasingly I find myself managing staff and addressing building policies and concerns and schedules—and falling behind on pastoral care and visitation of potential members and preparation for preaching. Once again we pray that the Holy Spirit would lead and guide us that we might be faithful to God's plan and purpose for our church!

**Your partner in ministry,  
Pastor Dan**



## The View from the Coffee Cup

by Pastor Bruce Welander



I recently read the results of a survey taken in England regarding the book *The Da Vinci Code*. Now I must admit that I am very skeptical about surveys. I am convinced that often they are highly inaccurate. However, I was so stunned at the results of this particular poll that, as I told a Sunday school class recently, even if it's sorely in error, it may still say something unsettling.

The essential findings, as reported in a recent issue of *Christianity Today*, are these: 60% of persons polled in England who read Dan Brown's novel, *The Da Vinci Code*, believe that there is some truth to the novel's prominent assertion that Jesus was married to Mary Magdalene, and that the two of them had a child together. Of the people who had not read the book, 30% felt there was some truth in that claim.

Again, this could be inaccurate. But it may well suggest a number of contemporary realities. First of all, keep in mind that even though Brown insists that much of what he writes in his book is "fact," his inaccuracies are legion. Brown makes such egregious mistakes that he even gets the date of discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls wrong by several years. That is pretty abysmal "research" (as he calls it) regarding something that is so easily verifiable.

Since *The Da Vinci Code* contains more errors than I have ever found in a book claiming to convey "facts" amid its fiction, something must be going on if even 6% of people believe him, let alone 60%. I suppose part of it is the incredible power of popular "culture" to trump almost everything else. Not only is a best-selling author involved in *The Da Vinci Code*, but a very clever marketing strategy is behind it. Also, there is the incredible clout of Hollywood, with Tom Hanks thrown in for good measure.

Compared to the number of people who have read the book and/or have seen the movie, I wonder how

many have ever taken a genuine course in church history, even in a local Sunday school setting. In England, where only a small percentage of people go to church, I suspect that most people get their cues elsewhere.

Peter Marshall, a prominent preacher and Congressional chaplain of the 1930s and '40s, once said something like this: "You have to stand for something, lest you fall for anything." If 60% of the people who read the book believe that Jesus might have been married to Mary Magdalene, then a lot of people are falling for something. Truly Brown's book is a work of fiction – especially the parts that he calls "fact."

But then there are the people of Faith Community. Thank God for the people of Faith Community! I have been very pleased at the attendance at a couple of sessions of Sunday school this summer that dealt with *The Da Vinci Code*. The people of this congregation know how to seek and weigh the truth. By the way, in my class on church history this fall, which I'll describe more fully in the next newsletter, we'll be dealing further with many of the subjects about which Dan Brown pontificates... from a very different perspective.

In the meantime, my concern is for marginal Christians, or unbelievers, who can be led astray by literary and cinematic phenomena. I want very much for people everywhere to come to the truth of Jesus Christ, and I am so glad that Faith Community is a place where so many people want to share the faith with others. This world sorely needs words of truth. As we worship, and as we grow continually in our study of Scripture and the teachings of the Church, may the Holy Spirit use us to tell people what Hollywood almost never tells them... namely, the truth about Jesus Christ. God bless you in your continued Christian growth and witness.

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Bruce Welander

# FCLC Christian Education News

## Summer of Gifts Sunday School For All Ages!

It's not too late to jump into Faith Community Lutheran's own Summer of Gifts Sunday School each Sunday morning from 9:45-10:45 am during the month of August.

*Check out the easel in the church narthex to discover the unique classes taught each week by gifted FCLC instructors. Each Sunday you may choose from 5-7 different classes, with at least one course offering for each age group.*

## Vacation Bible School

*Children use their change to make a change!*

Have you noticed the bulletin board at the bottom of the stairs by room 101 at church? The Vacation Bible School children collected \$178.86 in dollar bills, quarters, nickels and dimes in 3 short days to purchase school supplies for a first grade class in Chile. The photos on the bulletin board of the excited recipients receiving their new supplies make quite an impact! Give a VBS child a pat on the back while you're reading the exciting news!



## OWEN'S IN NEW ORLEANS! ...

**But Emily's just started.**

**Will you help her get to Grace Community Lutheran before AUGUST 27???**

**You readers did it!** From tiny lovers of board books to all the Knee Sitters, from new readers to some (well, definitely older) adult readers, the FCLC readers have read enough books to earn the miles for Owen to make it to New Orleans. But before visiting Grace Lutheran, he's visiting New Orleans and encouraging his book buddies to bring their books and join him. Then they all will have a really big surprise for the young readers at Grace Lutheran.

**Who's Emily?** You'll like her when you meet her in Janette Oke's picture book, *What does love look like?* Have you ever had to start at a new school in a new class in the middle of the school year? Pretty scary for a shy little first-grader ... that's Emily. But she finds out a lot about her new classmates and friends-to-be when her teacher asks, "If you draw a picture of what you think love looks like, what would you draw?" Everyone has an idea, and Emily's surprises and pleases them all. What did she draw? Ah, you'll need read her book to find out!

To help Emily walk those **1320** miles to join Owen in New Orleans ...

**Visit the FCLC Library in rooms. 224 & 227. Choose a book and check it out. Read it (or have someone read it to you). Return it to the library.**



### For each book you read:

50 pages or less  
51 to 150 pages  
151 pages or more

### Emily will go forward:

10 miles  
20 miles  
30 miles



Everyone – adults, kids, and read-to-me's – can help. But Emily can only travel those miles when your book is returned. Visit the library often to choose books and check on Emily's progress. Remember only FCLC books read and returned between now and August 27 will keep Emily moving.

**MORE FUN FOR READERS HELPING OUR TRAVELERS** – You will receive 1 Bible Buck for every book you read. [Adults get a surprise, too!] Spend the Bible Bucks at a special Owen's Bible Bucks Store on Rally Sunday ... September 10.



**If a little kid like Owen can  
walk all of those miles. . .  
surely YOU can!**

## **10,000 Step Walking Program**

Beginning September **10**, and continuing for **10** weeks, the Health and Wellness Committee of Faith Community Lutheran Church will be sponsoring a **10,000 Step Team Fitness Challenge**. So, during the month of August, start breaking in a new pair of tennies, purchase a pedometer and find 4 friends to be your teammates.

*For more information, and to sign up your team of 5, (No, not **10!**) check out the Health and Wellness bulletin board by the staff office. Registration deadline is September 3.*



## **Do you love to garden?**

Does planting seeds, watering them and watching them thrive give you a thrill? Have you ever considered helping "nurture seeds of faith" in children? If so, the Christian Education Ministry needs YOU! Sunday School volunteer training will be taking place on Saturday, August 26, 10-11:30 am at church. Please contact Nanette ([nanette@faithcommunitylutheran.org](mailto:nanette@faithcommunitylutheran.org)) if you would like more information.



## **Christian Education Dates to Remember**

<b>August 3</b>	<b>9-9:45 am</b>	KneeSitters' Club (Preschool-2nd grade story time, crafts, snacks)
<b>August 10</b>	<b>9-9:45 am</b>	Last KneeSitters' Club for the summer!
<b>August 26</b>	<b>10-11:30 am</b>	Christian Education Volunteer Training Meeting
<b>August 27</b>	<b>9:15-11 am</b>	Blood Pressure Check (room 210)
<i>(Last Sunday morning of each month)</i>		
<b>September 2</b>	<b>8:30-9:30 am</b>	FitBall Bible Study
<i>(Every Saturday morning)</i>		
<b>September 3</b>	<b>----</b>	<b>No Sunday School (Labor Day Weekend)</b>
<b>September 6</b>	<b>6:00-7:15 pm</b>	Confirmation Orientation for all middle schoolers AND their parents
<b>September 10</b>	<b>8 am</b>	Installation of all Christian Education volunteers
<b>September 10</b>	<b>9:45-10:45 am</b>	Rally Sunday
<b>September 10</b>	<b>----</b>	<b>10,000 Step Walking Program begins!</b>
<b>September 10</b>	<b>6:00-7:30 pm</b>	P.O.T.S. (Parents Of TeenS) Bible Study <i>(Change of Date!)</i>
<i>(Usually meets 1st Sunday of each month)</i>		
<b>September 17</b>	<b>6:00-7:30 pm</b>	Great Dates Couples' Bible Study
<i>(3rd Sunday of each month)</i>		

**Great Dates Couples' Bible Study** will be meeting throughout the summer. . . we will be going on some **GREAT DATES!** Contact Nanette ([nanette@faithcommunitylutheran.org](mailto:nanette@faithcommunitylutheran.org)) for specific dates, times and activities.



by Diane Sell

## Worship Team Corner

Wow! What a summer! I cannot believe I am already writing the August newsletter. Do you ever feel like that? Where does the time go? What have I done with my time and can I get a little more of it, please?

Hopefully, you have spent some well-needed time with family and loved ones relaxing, making memories, basking in nature, and refueling your spirit.

The Outdoor worship services have been wonderful this summer. The relaxing setting has inspired, given courage and healing to many including myself. As I stand up with the team and sing, I see many of you singing from your heart your praises to God. Last Sunday, we sang "Here I Am Lord" for the hymn of response and I heard so many of you lifting your voices up to the refrain "Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart." It was truly a worshipful experience to be a part of. We have one more month of these wonderful outdoor worship experiences and so make sure that you get to at least a few more of these before we move indoors for the fall.

Faith in God is a funny thing...it can make you do things that the average person in town wouldn't think to do otherwise. This summer, for me and my family, has been a summer of reaching out in faith trusting that God will provide for our needs. I am here to share with you if you are not sure, or if you have forgotten that with God ALL things are possible (Matt 19:6) even in the midst of what seems to be impossibilities! Growing faithfully is looking beyond what is and trusting what will be; it is the presence of light in your darkness. Faith is looking for Christ in the middle of **every** situation. We experienced Christ's hands and feet. We felt His hugs and words of encouragement. We have felt and continue to feel His arms around us through folks like you.

As we enter into the month of August, my prayer for each of you is that you will see God's presence in your "day-to-day," give thanks and share that with each other. Share it with me! Share it with your children, your grandchildren, your neighbors!

And as always, in our planning for the fall musically, if you have heard a song or worshipped elsewhere and were inspired by a piece of music that you would like Faith Community to try, let us know...we have gotten some wonderful feedback and will continue to take that in and filter that through to our services.

Diane Sell  
Worship Team Director

### Worship Team Corner : Looking ahead



*Saturday September 16th*

**"by His mark" Bluegrass Group** will be our entertainment for our 2nd Annual Progressive Dinner at church. If you are unable to attend the Progressive Dinner, consider coming for the concert that will be held at church beginning around 7:30 pm.

*Saturday September 30th*

#### **All Worship Team concert/sing-along**

Following the Saturday evening worship service, we will gather for a light dinner, then move into the sanctuary for a concert/sing-along beginning at 7:30 pm. Come join us and sing along to your favorite hymns and songs! Please look for a suggestion box in the narthex beginning August 15th so you can share with us your favorite songs that you would like to hear and sing.

*Worship Team Corner: Looking ahead (continued)*

### Drama Camp Rescheduled

We are postponing our proposed Drama Camp for the August timeframe. We did not get the minimum number of children signed up to continue. Please look for further information coming on a new date. We will get this up and running friends!



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Progressive Dinner. . .

. . . is scheduled for Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4 pm and ending at the church with dessert. "by His mark" Bluegrass group will provide entertainment at the church.

Sign-ups will begin Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup> and run for 3 weeks. If you know that you will be out of town and would like to sign up, please contact Diane Sell at the church or Kathy Praska at 303.682.3155.

We are currently looking for people to host both appetizers and dinner. We had such a wonderful turnout last year and look forward to it again this year!



*Come One, Come All...*

## To the FCLC Annual Picnic!!!

Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 4-7 pm  
Hover Acres Park (1361 Charles Drive)  
Free Fun, Free Food, Free Conversation, Free Sign-Up



### • Free Fun!

There are wild & crazy carnival games planned for kids. In addition, there is a volleyball pit, horseshoes pits, and tennis courts (bring your own rackets & balls). Kids...Don't forget to bring your fishing poles for the famous Crawdad Fishing!!! **AND** back by popular demand...**FEAR FACTOR!!** All Middle School & High School students who want to participate **MUST** sign up prior to the picnic. You will not want to miss out on the fun.

### • Free Food!

Fellowship is providing all the food & drinks so you can enjoy the day.

**Menu:** Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Pasta Salad, Baked Beans, Chips, Watermelon, bars & cookies for dessert.  
Drinks: Lemonade, Tea, & Water.

### • Free Conversation!

Just bring blankets or chairs, & sunscreen. That's all it will take to settle in for a great afternoon with your FCLC friends.

### • Free Sign-Up

So do it today!! The fun and games will begin at 4:15 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm. Don't miss out!!! Sign up on the board in the narthex or call the office to let them know you're coming.

**Please give us a call if you have any questions or would like to help!!**

Fellowship Co-Chairs,  
Shannon Holstine 303.682.1182  
Kaydene Hubert 303.651.9479



## All that jazz!!

I'd like to invite you to enjoy an evening of jazz at Ziggi's Coffee Shop on the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Main here in Longmont. On the **second and fourth Wednesdays of the month**, you can enjoy your favorite coffee beverage, smoothie, Italian ice, water, etc., while you listen to the likes of the Longmont Jazz Combo. Why is this so special, you may ask? Two men from FCLC are members of that group: Pastor Bruce Welander and Chuck Cullian. Pastor Bruce plays an alto sax and Chuck plays tenor and alto sax. The other two 60-somethings are Bill Blackman on stand-up bass, and Bill Fairchild on keyboard. I've even seen Mike Dougherty sitting in on the drums.

On July 26<sup>th</sup>, at least 24 of us from FCLC were among the audience that enjoyed the jazz, encouraged the individual improvisations, and requested our favorite jazz numbers. Pastor Bruce wrote "Shiloh Blues" while in college – it's at the top of my request list!! Three people also showed up with their instruments --a guitarist, another alto sax player, and a clarinetist -- to "jam" along with the four guys.

So, if you want a night out where the music is great and the coffee is good, come on down to Ziggi's from 7:00 – 9:00 pm on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. The Longmont Jazz Combo -- men who are having a great time playing and sharing music they enjoy. Just plain ol' **American jazz** and an evening of **fun** and **fellowship!**

from the keyboard of Janelle Olson

## Nursery News...

Can you all believe it's August already? I know I can't! I feel like I've barely finished planting flowers and some of the stores already have Fall things out! Hope everyone's summer is going well. The nursery is buzzing as usual. I'd like to thank everyone for their help in staffing it. We continue to need volunteers, so please call me if you can help out.

I'd also like to thank everyone who donated snacks! The kids love them, and sometimes it's the only thing that will help a little one who misses mom and dad forget about that problem for a while. At this time, we are in need of batteries of various sizes for some of the toys. We have plenty of diapers, pull-ups and wipes, but could use some disposable sippy cups. I'm also looking for anyone who may be in need of a crib. We will be taking one of the cribs down and would love to donate it to someone who needs it. Contact me if you know someone.

One last reminder . . . the nursery has a paging system that is available for use to anyone who needs it. The instructions are on the wall next to the base unit. This is located to the right of the sink if you are looking in the mirror. Feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Thanks everyone and have a wonderful August!

Mandy Wormke  
Nursery Coordinator





# All about Administration

From your Director of Business Administration, Susan Moller

## About....Giving Statements

Everyone should have received their giving statement for the first half of 2006. If not, check your box in the coat room. Please review them, and if you see any errors, or if something doesn't make sense, please give me a call.



## About....New Building Pledges

We continue to give thanks for the blessing of our building and to all of you for being so faithful on your building pledges! We were able to make a \$10,000 payment toward the principal in June. Our loan balance has gone from \$330,573 to \$295,845. The monthly payments for the new education wing were not budgeted for in our general operating budget, but come from your building pledges.



## About....the FCLC Endowment Fund

The Endowment Committee met Sunday, June 18. Items discussed: where to invest the funds; terms and start dates of committee members; application process for distributions; 2006 distributions; application form for fall 2006 applications. If you have any questions, you may contact a committee member. The members are: Roger Olsen, John Meier, Kelly Marshall, Tracy Rothe, and Chris Holstine.

Blessings,  
Susan

Worship and Sunday School Attendance for June and July:

June	Worship		Sunday School	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
1st Sunday	458	504	196	104
2nd Sunday	453	512	132	59
3rd Sunday	455	422	121	56
4th Sunday	442	423	99	89

July	Worship		Sunday School	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
1st Sunday	447	366	90	65
2nd Sunday	465	421	78	75
3rd Sunday	432	445	97	76
4th Sunday	475	514 Workcamp*	121	88
5th Sunday	496 Workcamp*	429	99	58

\* Workcamp / Youth Sundays

Attendance

# Outreach News

- † We need your old coats! August is designated as FCLC Coat Drive Month. Please bring your old coats and hang them up on the coat rack across from the mail boxes. Everything collected will be donated to the local O.U .R. Center. Thank you in advance for all your support.
- † FCLC has been supporting Tim and Heidi Sullivan as missionaries in India. Mark your calendars as they will be visiting the church on August 19th & 20th. Don't miss out!
- † FCLC Outreach has partnered with Grace Lutheran Church in New Orleans to help provide support from Hurricane Katrina. Pat Sharp is the FCLC liaison to this church and has been in close contact with them to understand their needs. If you'd like more information on this, please contact Pat at [m6sharp@aol.com](mailto:m6sharp@aol.com).
- † You can also visit the following websites:  
<http://imageevent.com/4ldr/grace>  
[http://www.ldrny.org/TopNews/topnews\\_GraceNoLa.html](http://www.ldrny.org/TopNews/topnews_GraceNoLa.html)

## Prayers of thanksgiving that FCLC is making a difference for the sake of the Gospel around the world.

Read the inspiring testimony in paragraph 2 of the email below!

-- Dan

-----Original Message-----

From: Googooeyes WangBin [<mailto:all-for-lord@hotmail.com>]

Sent: Saturday, July 15, 2006 3:52 AM

To: dan@faithcommunitylutheran.org

Subject: Hi, Thank you and I am a seminary student of China

Hi, Dan,

My name is Wang Bin and u can call me Chris. Firstly I would like to give my thanks for your gifts my friend **Karen Gabe** received for me. Generally speaking, the Chinese churches don't pay attention to worship and liturgy, so I asked Karen to give me some material featuring U.S. church worship and other ministries. Thank you for the precious gifts and my church will learn from you. I am the only son of my family and I have just finished my first year in the M.Div. Program in the Nanjing Union Theological Seminary after my bachelor's degree in a secular university in the same city where we have many beautiful natural and historical-cultural scenery. My undergraduate major is social work. Nowadays I am interested in the Early Christianity-New Testament Study and theology/religion-science relationship and interaction.

***I was called to come to our Lord Jesus at my junior year after a literary reading the Bible my local church pastor had given to me as gift for my work of English teaching in the church summer camp, but I was still frustrated by the angst and joy when reading the Bible and had a dream where a white-robe man appearing at my bed telling me he, naming himself "gospel" was the one I was seeking. I then knelt down and prayed obediently and confessionally for the first time in my life.***

Then at the beginning of my senior year, my pastor and church encouraged and recommended me to take a theological study and I was enrolled in the seminary after passing the exams. I hadn't be baptized until then.

Having one challenging and cheerful academic year, I am looking forward to the next two years still left before me eagerly and hopefully.

These days I am participating in a Sociology of Religion summer seminar in Beijing. Living, learning with many gifted students, with no specific religious affiliation, all from leading universities in China majoring in religions research, I am inspired and forced to rethink how we can formulate and confess our Christian faith in contemporary china's social-cultural milieu among and for Chinese compatriots. We also have famous and fascinating professors from home and abroad. Some of them are Christians.

Karen gave me your email and advised me to give a reply so I can write to you to show my great thanks. May God bless your ministries and keep our faith in Christ our Lord.

Chris,  
Nanjing Seminary





## August Birthdays!

### August 1

Connie Backes  
Logan Bowers

### August 2

John Petersen  
Jack Whitefoot  
Kimberly Dukart  
Aaron Wait  
Sonya Schuppan

### August 3

Almina Ringdahl  
Torey Taylor-Goldfarb  
Aaron Hartman  
Brian Palm  
Dakota Lewis

### August 4

Lee Sarek

### August 5

Aaron Foster  
Tommy Peeples  
Kalyna Lewus

### August 6

Chris Holstine  
Taylor Tatham

### August 8

Erin Gunther  
Krysta McMikle  
Marit Bennett

### August 10

Laura Lewis  
Michael Schaff  
Jonathan Timms

### August 11

Monte Ott  
Scott Smallwood  
George Kotula

### August 12

Harold Whitefoot

### August 13

Maria Woo Ching  
Christina Woo Ching

### August 14

Lukas Storaci  
Sarah Wormke

### August 15

John Meier  
Nathan Johnson

### August 16

Leslie Lubovich  
David Sell  
Austin Hunting

### August 17

Gary Grabau  
Matt Sharp  
Brian Miller  
Stacy Adams

### August 18

Jonathan Moller  
Nathaniel Moller  
Haakon Irey

### August 19

Mark Flowers  
Jill Woo Ching  
Ella Lien

### August 20

Susie Groshong

### August 21

Ed Broestl  
Julie Olson  
Andra Mesch

### August 23

Josephine Vece  
Daniel Magyar

### August 24

Heidi Johnson  
Alyssa Erickson

### August 25

Tom Lewis  
Greg Moller

### August 26

Allison Whittern

### August 27

Rick Blackwell  
Laurie Dirkes  
Kirk Olson  
Brianna Boos  
Nic Rozek

### August 28

Joshua Jones

### August 29

Ralph Morgan  
Mike Hoops  
Gabrielle Musser

### August 30

Mike Brockman

### August 31

Amy Jordan  
Mollie Bonds



## August Wedding Anniversaries

### August 2

Brad & Margi Davis  
Miguel & Jamie Mendez

### August 3

Craig & Sherry Chaney

### August 4

Jeff & Lori Bladt

### August 6

Bill & Angie McDermid

### August 9

Greg & Susan Moller  
Wayne & Kaydene Hubert

### August 12

Chuck & Annette Carlson  
David & Jill Brown

### August 13

Dustin & Ashley Bourgois

### August 14

Paul & Mitzi Storaci

### August 15

Trevor & Sherri Platt

### August 17

Ron & Donna Wormke  
Dan & Kathy Griffie  
Larry & Cindy Palm

### August 18

Mike & Jill Krantz  
John & Mary Timms

### August 19

Dale & Renee Goertz  
Chris & Shannon Holstine

### August 20

Rick & Linda Blackwell

### August 21

Mike & Wanda Gwinn

### August 23

Jonathan & Valerie Jones

### August 24

Matt & Julie Olson

### August 25

Bob & Stacia Keller

### August 26

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Curt & Tami Musfeldt

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## Council Corner

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Our Council Members and Church Staff are always available to listen to the ideas and concerns of our members. Your input is invaluable in aiding the leadership of Faith Community Lutheran in determining the direction we should go in fulfilling God's mission for us. We welcome you to take part and share your vision.

- Council minutes are public record and kept in the Church Office.
- Council meets the second Tuesday of every month. Meetings are open to the congregation.
- If you would like to be involved in any of the ministries listed above, contact the ministry chair.

### FCLC Staff:

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**FCLC FINANCES** from Susan Moller, Director of Business Administration

#### **As of 07/25/06:**

General Offering YTD	\$ 362,750
Budget YTD	\$ 371,618
Expenses YTD	\$(355,983)
New Building Giving YTD	\$ 95,304







## Mission Verse

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## Our Vision

*In each of us burns a flame  
so we gather in faith and  
hope to reach out in love.*



## Our Core Values

**To "Reach Out in Love"  
as a church that is:**

- \* Bible-centered
- \* Prayer-centered
- \* Worship-centered with blended styles of music
- \* Kid-Friendly
- \* Visitor-Friendly
- \* Model of the Priesthood of Believers
- \* Model of "First Fruits Giving" (to various outreach projects)

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